

FISCAL NOTE

TO: Chief Clerk of the Senate
Chief Clerk of the House

FROM: James A. Davenport, Executive Director

DATE: February 12, 1996

SUBJECT: **SB 2833 - HB 2484**

This bill, if enacted, will mandate bone mass measurement for qualified individuals, including estrogen deficient women, in any health insurance policy, health maintenance organization or other similar medical provider.

The fiscal impact of this bill is estimated to result in higher capitation rates paid to managed care organizations in the TennCare program to cover additional costs as the result of mandated tests. The amount of the increase to TennCare cannot be determined but is estimated to exceed \$100,000 in the long run.

The enactment of this bill will not increase expenditures for state government health benefits because the state plan is self-insured and not subject to such regulation.

The enactment of this bill is also estimated to result in an increase in expenditures to local governments. The amount of such increase cannot be determined but is estimated to exceed \$100,000.

The enactment of this bill is also estimated to result in an increase in cost to the health care industry from mandated coverage. Such

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increase cannot be determined but is estimated to exceed \$100,000. This impact is included as required by Chapter 244 of the Public Acts of 1989.

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "James A. Davenport". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first letters of the first and last names being capitalized and prominent.

James A. Davenport, Executive Director

*Article II, Section 24 of the Tennessee Constitution provides that: *no law of general application shall impose increased expenditure requirements on cities or counties unless the General Assembly shall provide that the state share in the cost.*